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#### **New! Online Verification of NBCOT Certification**

Verification of certification letter requests can now be submitted online via the <u>Verification of Certification Portal</u>. Online requests require that payment be made with a Visa or MasterCard, and will be processed within 10-15 business days.

Verification of certification letter requests can also be made by paper submission using the <u>Verification of Certification Request</u> form. You may fax the completed form with Visa or MasterCard information to the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy's (NBCOT) secure fax line at (301) 869-8492 or mail the form with check/money order. Paper requests will be processed within 30-45 business days.

# OT Makes Another Top-10 Jobs List by Jill Glomstad <u>www.advancewed.com</u>

Occupational therapy has made the news again as a top career! Back in April, Career Cast named occupational therapy the 7<sup>th</sup> best job, rated based on work environment, income, employment outlook, stress and physical demands.

Earlier this month, MSN/CareerBuilder named occupational therapist the 6<sup>th</sup> most in-demand job, based on the site's supply and demand data for jobs; OTAs also made the top 10, at number 9. Compiled as part of CareerBuilder's commitment to the Clinton Global Initiative, the list's purpose is to provide job seekers with in-demand occupations for which they can hone their skills. The jobs in the top 10 all have high demand and strong growth and earning potential.

According to the list, the average entry-level salary for an OT is \$60,000; an entry-level OTA can make \$53,000. Eighty-five percent of OTs have a master's degree, while 96 percent of OTAs have an associate's degree.

CareerBuilder will also break down the data to provide lists of the top in-demand jobs in the 20 U.S. cities with the highest unemployment rates. It will provide that data to local Department of Labor-sponsored career centers in each city.

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